

Springfield Mass. May 29. 1858

Mr Garrison

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Sir.

When I was in Boston
you and I had a short, and to me a
very agreeable conversation. Though this
was not long I hope it was not dis-
agreeable to you. I liked the appear-
ances, ^{somewhat} ~~very much~~, in and about Boston,
of all things, including the personal
institutions: name - Garrison - Phillips &
Parker. Though you and I do not agree
as to politics, yet this never makes a
difference, as to personal relations, with
me, and if it does not with you, then
we are as we are - all right. Now
because of all this, and more than all
this, I may occasionally shoot you
a line - fire you a word, telling you
how politics may "way out" in all -
this "land of the Free & the home of the Brave"

This assumed puff will do for a sucker,
will it not?

Our Republican Convention
comes off here - in this city - on the 16 of
June; and at which time and place it is
expected that we will have quite a "turn
out" of respectable Republican men.
You hate Republicanism, but never
mind that; it is a "mid link" between
you - at the Bottom and the pro-Slavery
idea - at the Top... Men creep by town
and continuous paces; and I should like
to know how you are to get over mid
space whilst you are clay.. Knock
that link out - melt it by your indign-
-ation into gas, and where are you? Let
it stay just where it is, and abolitionism
will climb to heaven, victorious, glorified
over that "damned" link. You are abstr-
-acted right; and if full justice have
her march it will - you will, to suc-
-ceed so in the end.. Truth - Civilization -
the laws which regulate the conditions of all
matter and spirit - Justice - God, work

Have you forgotten my - it may be - important note regarding the -

For your side - your sentiments - ideas;
but through coarser forms and substances,
just now, my friend. I see what I
see, and that is not much, but Repulli-
-canism is a condition - absolute and
unannihilable - to your march. I will
stop here about yourself - . At the
Republican Convention I anticipate
many good men and true, bringing with
them good ideas rounded - perfect, and
finely developed. The Temperance Con-
-vention, you know, is over. The Buchan-
-an one comes off here on the 7th June,
and the Republican one on the 17th June.
I now understand that there are to be
three tickets in the field - 3 Richmond St.
You do not care which gets killed - one
2 or all. Your mind, you and I
can get along. I predict, Mr Ga-
-mison, that the Race in 1858 &
9 - for the Senatorial Seat, now held
by Sumner, will be hot - energetic - dead;
it will be broader - wider, and deeper in
principles than the race in 1856 -

Have you forgotten my - it may be - important request to send the

Wm H. Herndon

Mark it. Mr Lempus, it is said, is to
be here so soon as can get a journey, and
it is said to me in a private letter, and
by one who knows, that Mr Lempus
is to stump our State, putting (?) broad, deep
& radical grounds against Slavery. You
grant that this may be, though I do not
believe each part of this! He will be here
and stump the State, but as to ^{his} putting deep
radical grounds against "Hell" I do
not believe. His substantial nature is
too base: he sympathizes with wrong to
deeply and ^{has} too long to do this. "Good time
may be done by others of Lempus - I cannot just now
is coming boys - Good time is coming."
You

and I talked about Phillips' Speeches. I
do wish that his friends - you & Phillips included,
would get together right now, and agree to
use Phillips Speeches in 2 vols - say about
the size of Everett's orations, or 4 vols about
the size of Parker's additional Speeches &
Sermons - Can you not move in this matter?
it ought not to be neglected any other day: they are
wanted - needed and must be had - Come, issue soon.
To say this about Phillips is the object of this letter more than
all else besides.
Yours Truly
W. H. Herndon